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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 16 July 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being unpatentable by Suguro et al (US 6,150,984).

Regarding claim 1, Suguro discloses a shared antenna and portable radio device comprising circularly-polarized antenna (MSA1); and linearly-polarized antenna (2) wherein both antenna (1 and 2) are connected to a diversity receiving circuit and one of the antennas is rotatably supported (rotary shaft A or element 33). See figures 1-3, col.3, lines 5-61 to col.7, lines 1-10.

Regarding claims 2-3, Suguro discloses the circularly-polarized antenna is an antenna that intensively radiates circularly polarized radio waves in a specific direction and the linearly-polarized antenna inherently is an omni-directional antenna with respect to a predetermined plane (because the linear antenna is helical antenna or monopole antenna as shown on figure 2) and the rotatably-supported antenna (A) is the circularly-polarized antenna. See figures 1-3.

Regarding claim 4, Suguro discloses wherein polarization diversity is achieved by arranging the circularly-polarized and the linearly polarized antenna in different positions. See figures 3-8.

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Regarding claim 5, Suguro discloses wherein a shape of the patch electrode the patch antenna (8) is a circle or any other appropriate geometric shape. See figures 3-8.

Regarding claim 6, Suguro discloses an antenna comprising a high gain antenna (2) and a linearly polarized antenna (8 or 33), both antennas (2 and (8 or 33) antenna are connected to a diversity antenna supported (33. See figures 3-8, col.3, lines 5-67 to col.7, lines 1-10.

Regarding claim 7, Suguro discloses wherein the rotatably-supported antenna(33) is the high-gain antenna. See figures 3-8.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Louzir et al(US 6,618,012) and Desclos et al. (US 6,160,512) are cited to show a multi-mode antenna.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Minh A whose telephone number is (571) 272-1817. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (5:30 –2:30 PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone is unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Don Wong, can be reached on (571) 272-1834. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-872-9306 for regular communications and (703) 872-9319 for final communications.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-1553.

Examiner

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wilson Lee', with a stylized, cursive script.

WILSON LEE
PRIMARY EXAMINER